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Report of the 2009 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities

A. Opening and duration of the session

1. By its resolution 45/215, the General Assembly decided, inter alia, that the adoption and signing of the Final Act of the United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities should be replaced by the adoption of a procedural report of the Conference.

2. The Conference was held at United Nations Headquarters on 9 November 2009.

3. The Conference was opened by the Director, Office for Economic and Social Council Support and Coordination, Department of Economic and Social Affairs.

B. Attendance

4. The Conference was attended by representatives of the Governments of the following States: Afghanistan, Algeria, Bangladesh, Benin, Bhutan, Brazil, China, Colombia, Croatia, the Democratic People's Republic of Korea, Djibouti, Egypt, Estonia, Greece, India, Indonesia, Jordan, Kazakhstan, Kuwait, Lithuania, Luxembourg, Madagascar, Maldives, Mauritania, Monaco, Mongolia, Morocco, Myanmar, the Philippines, the Republic of Korea, the Russian Federation, Samoa, Saudi Arabia, Singapore, Spain, Sweden, Turkey and Viet Nam.

5. Representatives of the following organs, organizations and bodies of the United Nations and the specialized and related agencies also attended the Conference: the United Nations Development Programme, the United Nations Children's Fund, the United Nations Population Fund, the United Nations Development Fund for Women, the United Nations Institute for Training and Research and the International Telecommunication Union.

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C. Election of officers

6. At its meeting on 9 November, the Conference elected by acclamation the following officials:

President:
Sylvie Lucas (Luxembourg)

Vice-Presidents:
Jean-Francis Régis Zinsou (Benin)
Eduardo Meñez (Philippines)

D. Documentation

7. The Conference had before it the following documents:

(a) Report of the Secretary-General on a comprehensive statistical analysis of the financing of operational activities for development of the United Nations system for 2007 (A/64/75-E/2009/59);

(b) Note by the Secretary-General on operational activities for development of the United Nations system (A/CONF.208/2009/1);

(c) Note by the Secretary-General on contributions pledged or paid at the 2008 United Nations Pledging Conference for Development Activities as at 30 June 2009 (A/CONF.208/2009/2);

(d) Draft report (A/CONF.208/2009/L.1);

(e) Background information on programmes and funds for the 2009 Pledging Conference.

E. Announcement of pledges

8. The Conference heard the announcement of pledges by a number of Governments to one or more programmes and funds and took note of the fact that, while several Governments were not in a position to announce their contributions, they had proposed to communicate their announcement of such contributions to the Secretary-General as soon as they were in a position to do so after the closure of the Conference.